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# FEMA Region 6 Weather Threat Briefing

Thursday, June 7, 2018

**Disclaimer:** The purpose of this briefing is to provide a <u>Regional</u> weather threat assessment and is meant as a general overview. County/Parish decision makers should consult their local NWS forecast offices for the latest detailed, local weather information.

To find your local NWS forecast office, go to <u>www.weather.gov/srh</u>.

#### Key Points



#### **Today**

- A few strong to severe thunderstorms possible across the TX Panhandle through most of Oklahoma.
   Large hail and damaging winds are the primary threats. Isolated areas of heavy rain possible.
- Elevated fire threat continues across western NM.

#### **Friday**

 A few strong to severe thunderstorms possible across the TX/OK Panhandle through Northern Oklahoma. Large hail and damaging winds are the primary threats.

#### Saturday - Sunday

No significant weather expected.

#### **Tropical Outlook**

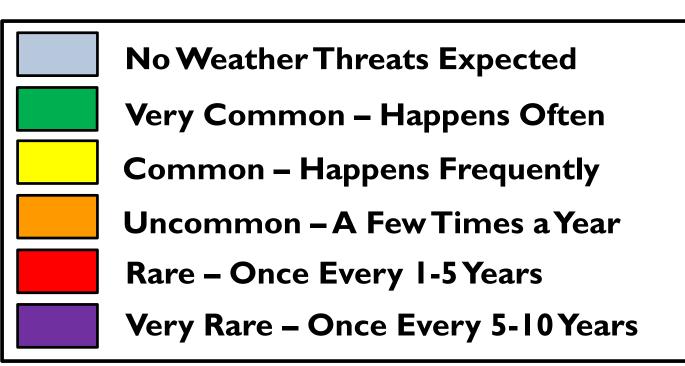
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# FEMA Region 6 Threat Matrix

June 7 2018 - June 11, 2018



DAY /THREAT	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN	MON
Severe Storms	TX Panhandle Oklahoma	TX/OK Panhandles			
Heavy Rain / Flash Flooding	Oklahoma, NW Texas				
Fire Weather	Western/Central NM				
Tropical Weather					
River Flooding					



\*Threat levels are based on FEMA Region 6 criteria.

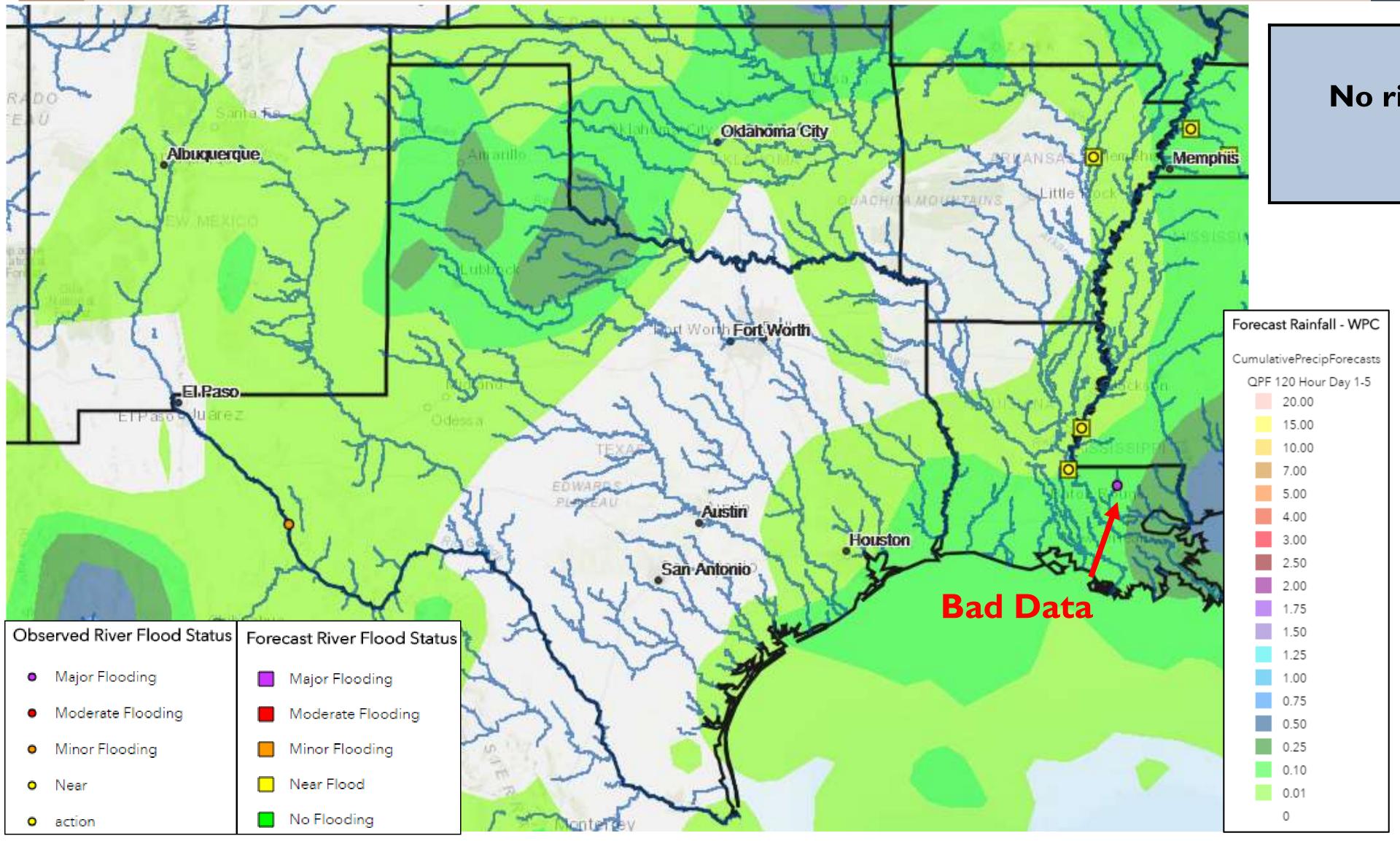
State or local threat level criteria may differ.\*

For more details on the colors in the threat matrix refer to the last slide in this briefing.

#### 5-Day Precipitation Forecast & River Flood Status



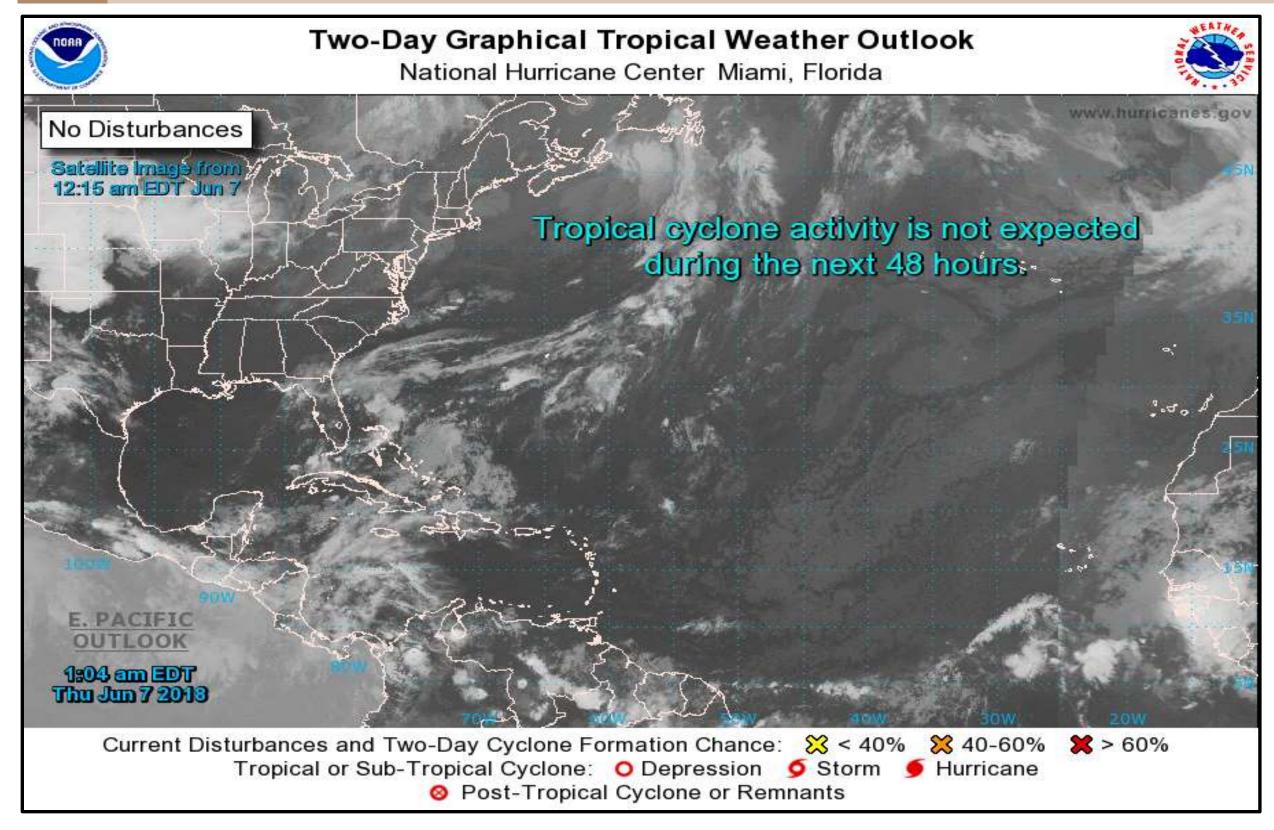
Note: Even though the image displays 5 days of forecasted rainfall, river forecasts only include 1-2 days of rainfall



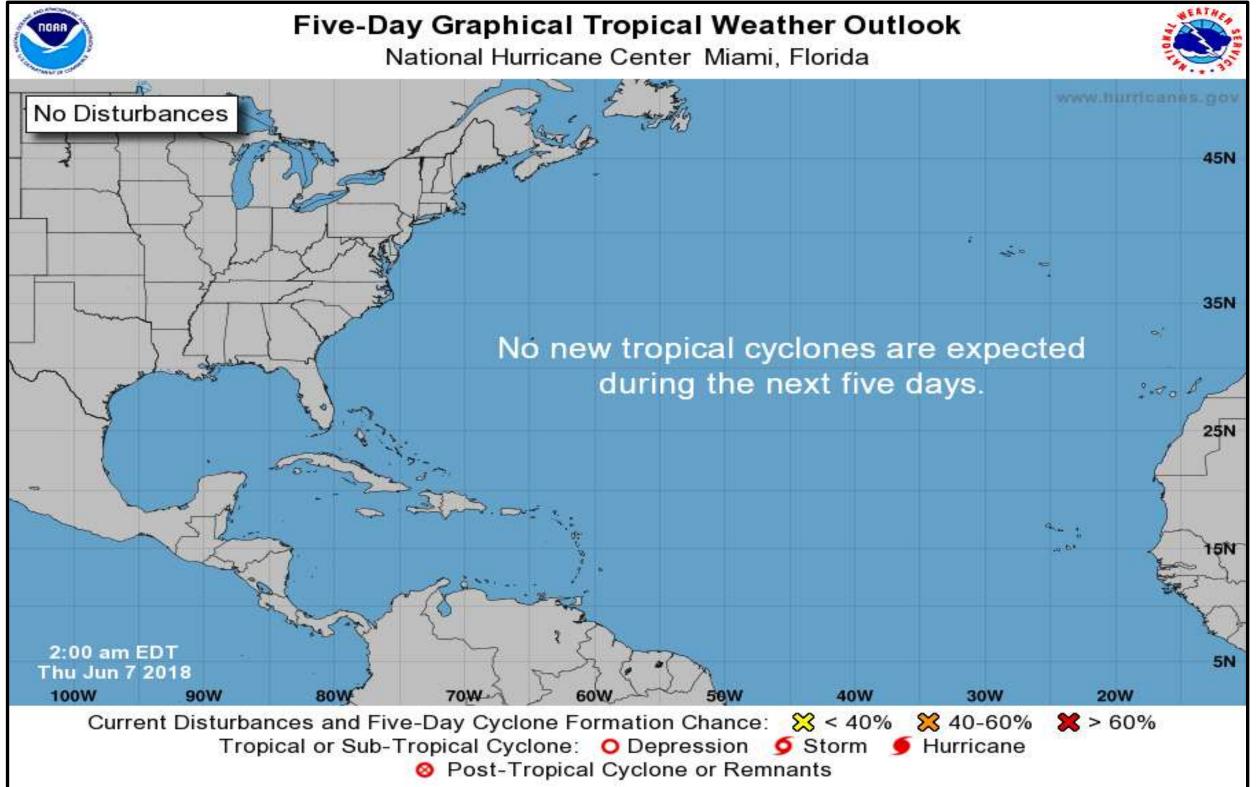
No river flooding is observed or forecast.

#### Tropical Weather Outlook

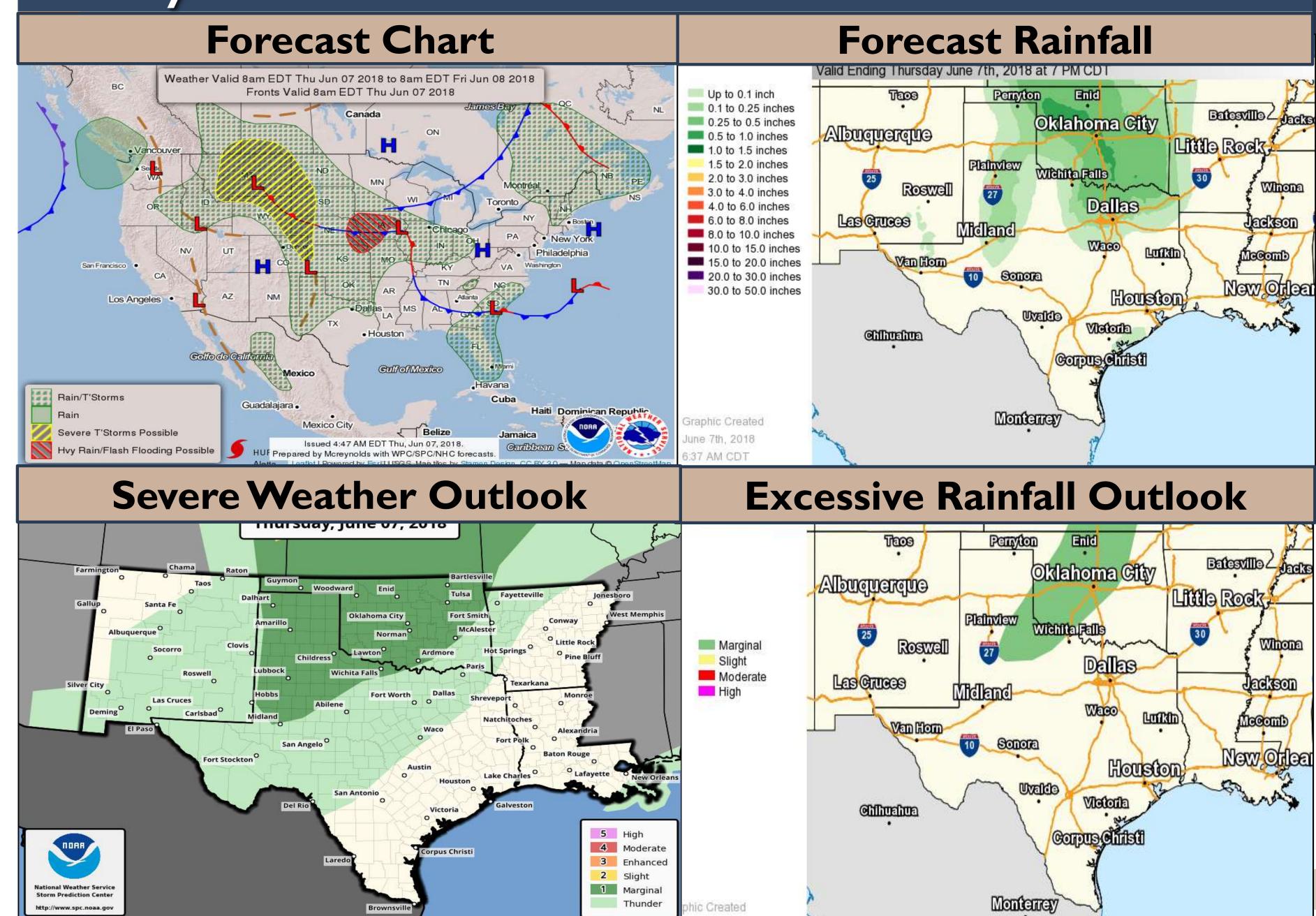




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#### Today's Weather

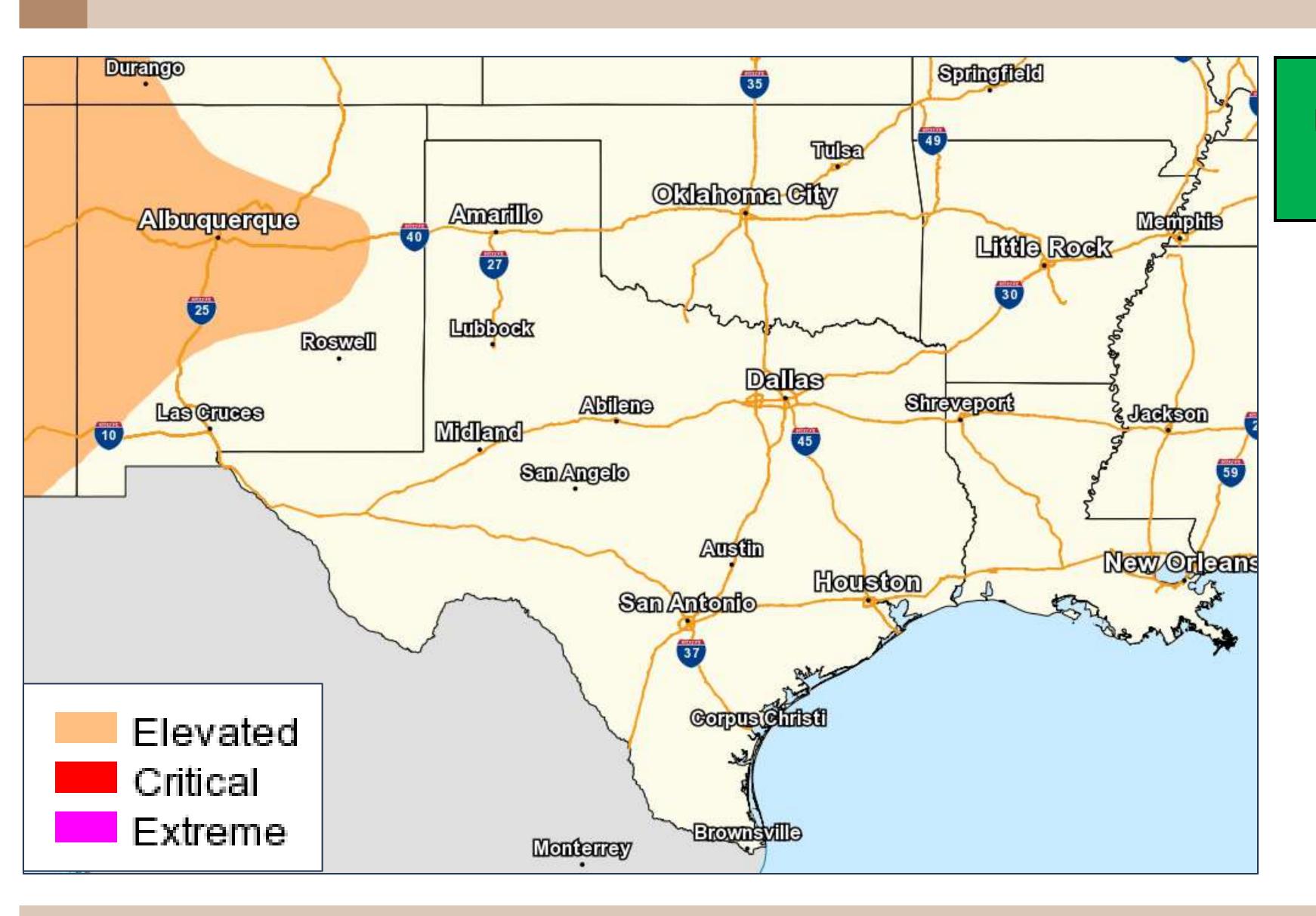




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### Today's Fire Weather Outlook

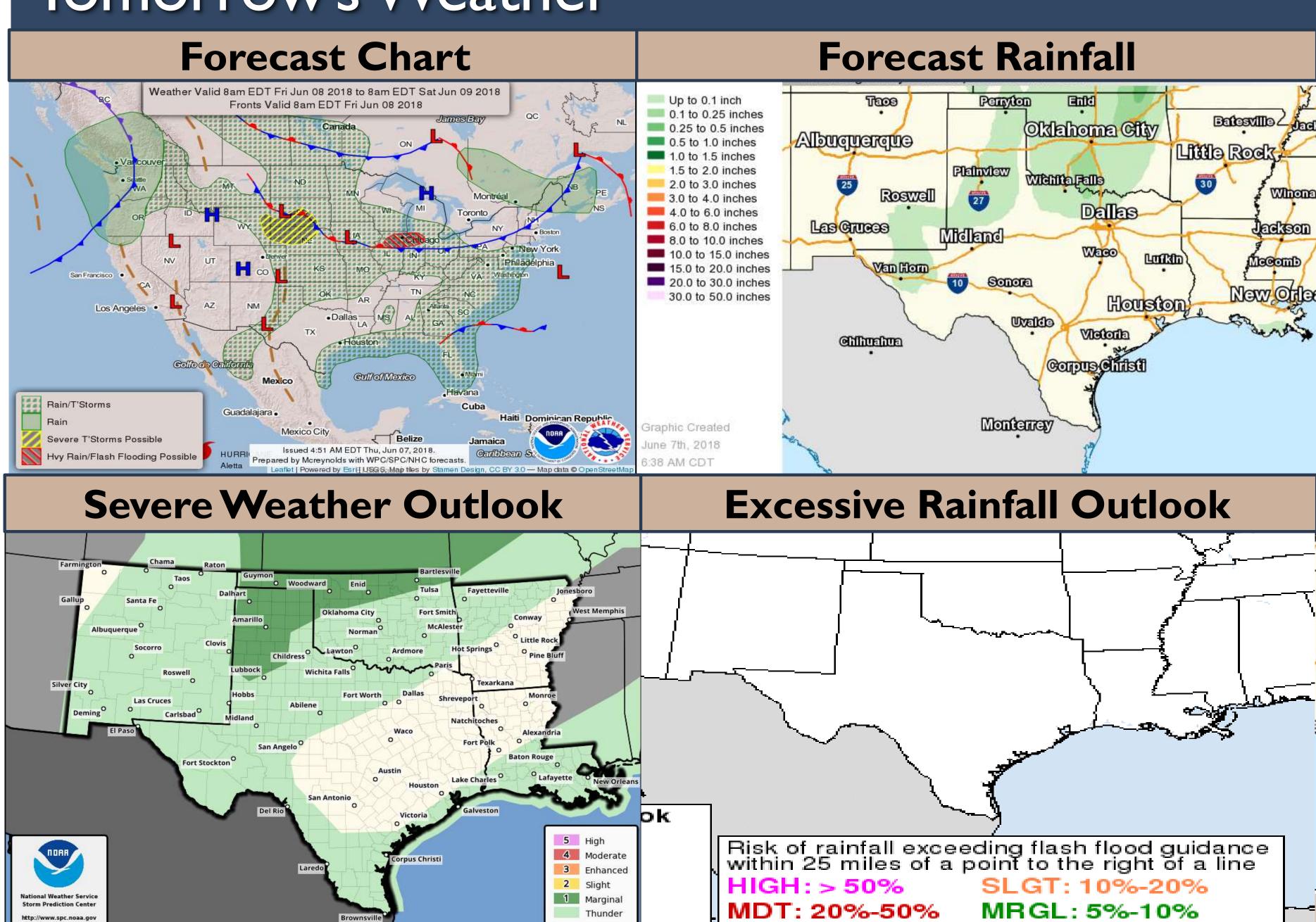




Elevated Fire concerns over west and central NM

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#### Tomorrow's Weather

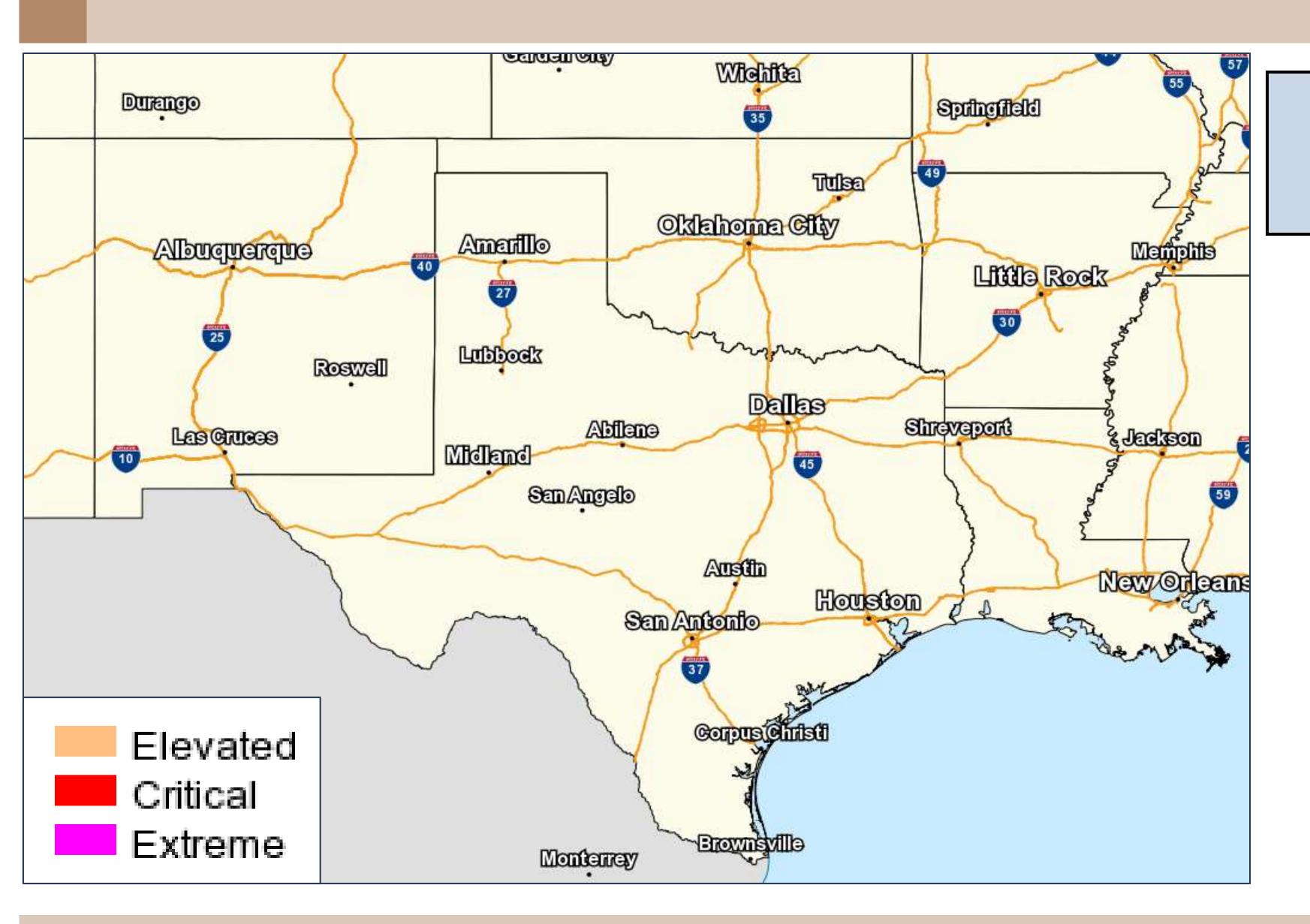




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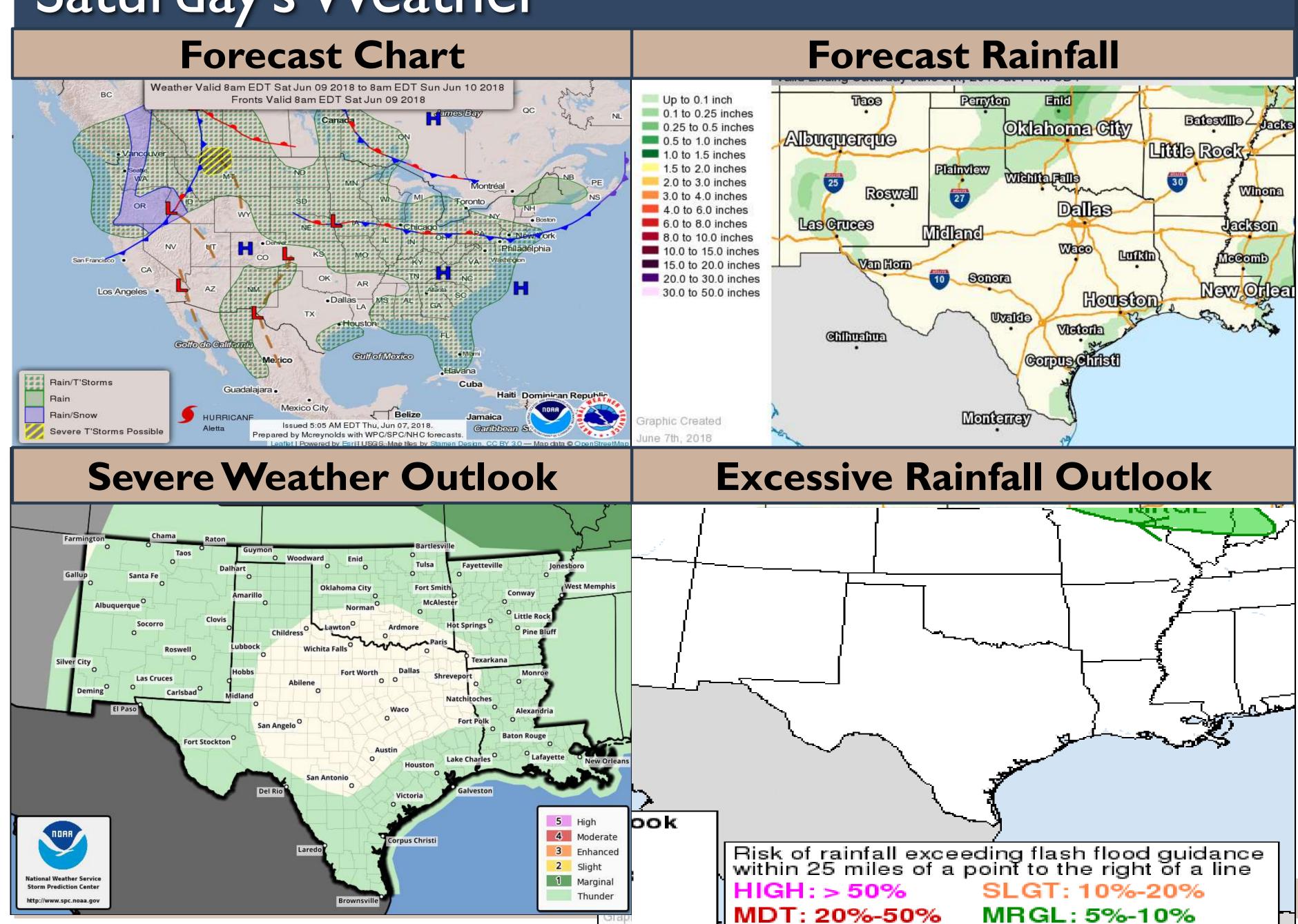




**Minimal Fire Concerns** 

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#### Saturday's Weather



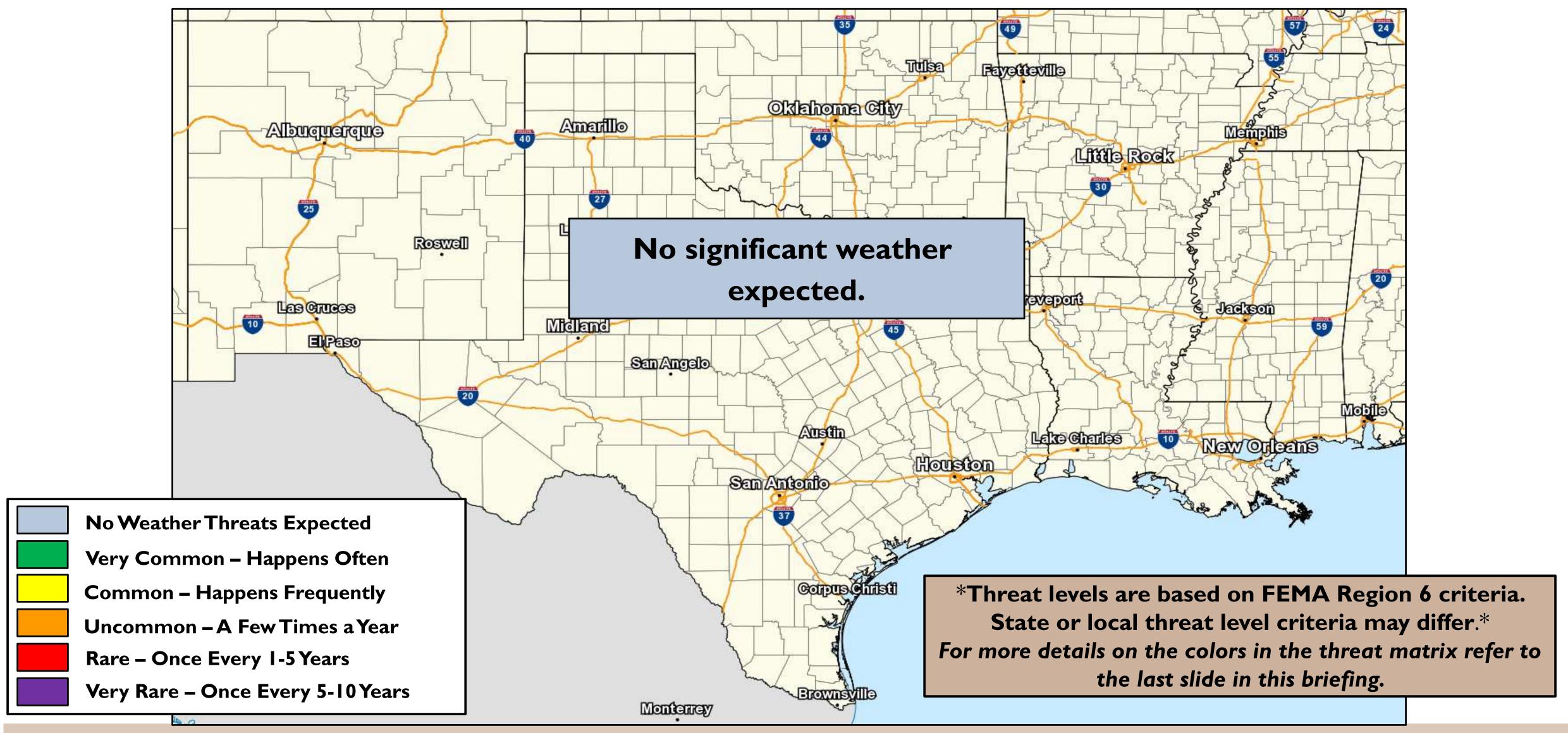


No Significant Weather Expected.

## Days 4-5 Weather Hazards

#### **Sunday - Monday**

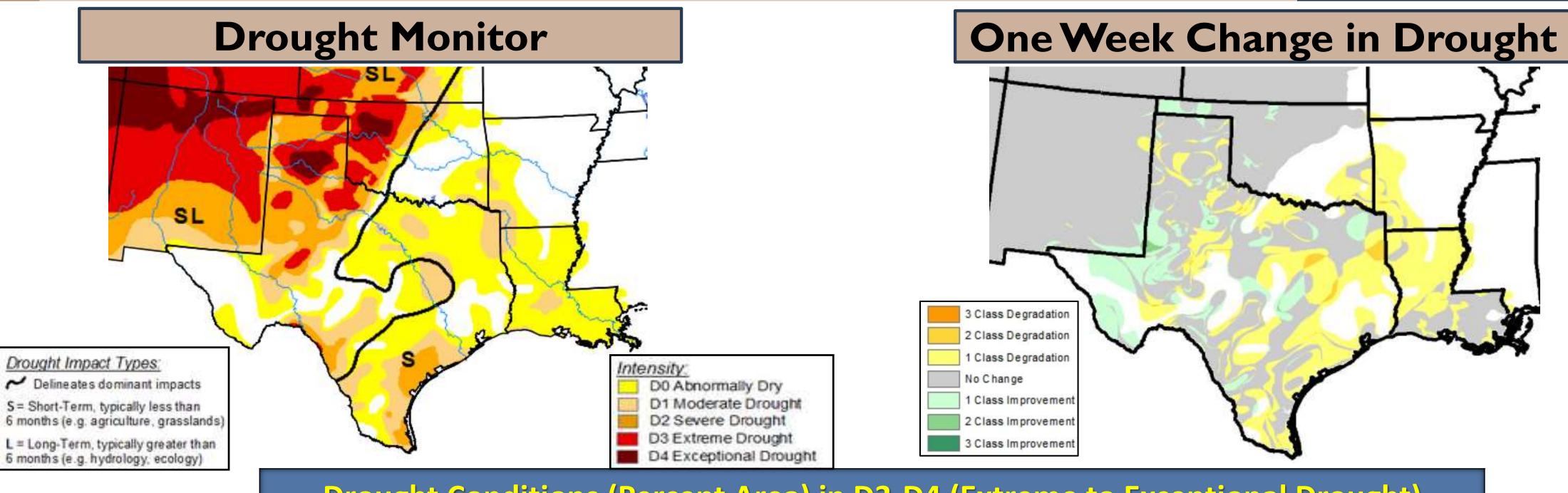




## Drought Monitor (Released June 7th, 2018)



Data valid as of 7am CDT, Tuesday, June 5th, 2018

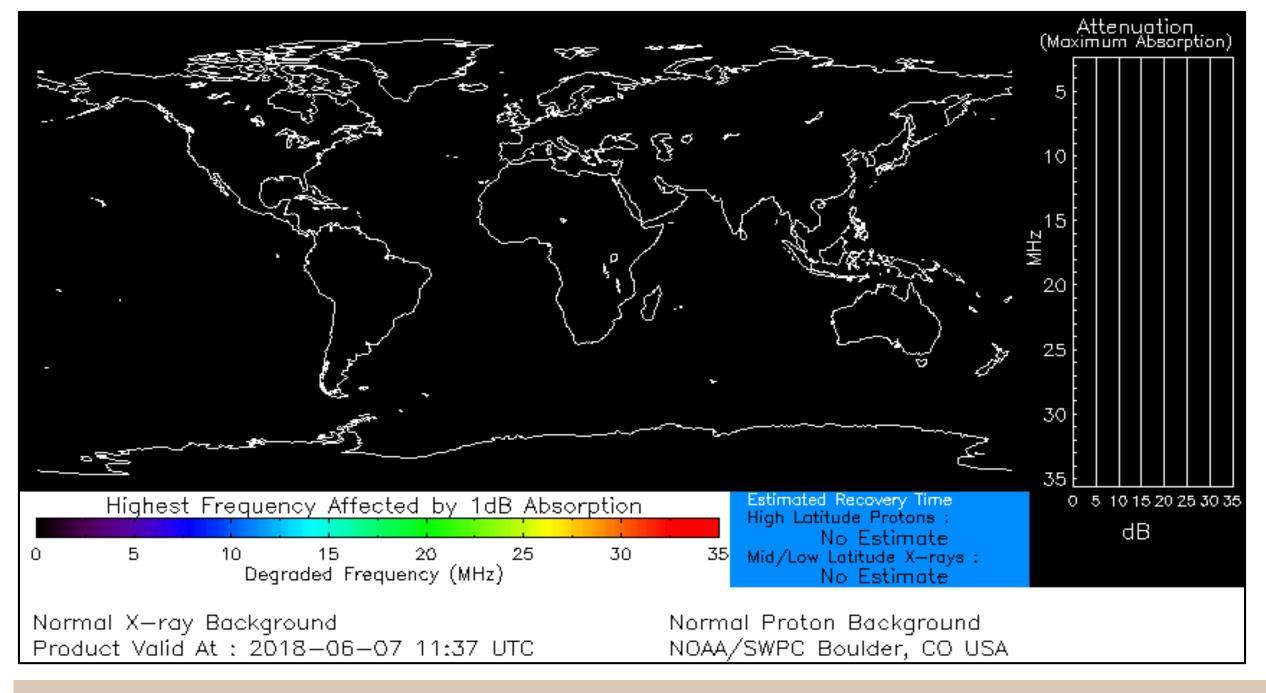


Drought Conditions (Percent Area) in D3-D4 (Extreme to Exceptional Drought)					
State	Current	Last Week	3 Months Ago	1 Year Ago	
Arkansas	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	
Louisiana	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	
Oklahoma	27.84%	29.79%	34.45%	0.00%	
Texas	7.29%	7.82%	14.16%	0.00%	
New Mexico	61.99%	62.86%	17.08%	0.00%	

# Space Weather 3-Day Forecast



	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Geomagnetic Storms	Quiet (Max Kp = 2)	Quiet (Max Kp = 2)	Quiet (Max Kp = 2)
Solar Radiation Storm (SI-S5)	<b>1%</b>	1%	1%
Radio Blackout (RI-R2)	1%	1%	1%
Radio Blackout (R3-R5)	1%	1%	1%



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Description of the Space

Weather Storm Scales

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3-Day Space Weather

Forecast Text





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	Weather "Threat" Matrix					
Color	Definition	Criteria	Example(s)			
Green	Very Common Safety: Rarely a Direct Threat to Life and Property Impact Potential: Typically Results in Little Inconvenience to Daily Routines	Severe: Marginal Risk from SPC Flooding: Minor flooding expected over localized areas Tropical: None Fire Weather: No Watches/Warnings, fuel moisture above 10% or green up active	<ul> <li>Thunderstorms expected over LA this afternoon; a few may produce winds to knock down a few trees</li> <li>Something that happens almost every day in a particular season such as seabreeze storms in coastal TX</li> </ul>			
Yellow	Somewhat Common — Happens Frequently Safety: Rarely a Direct Threat to Life and Property Impact Potential: Typically Results in Some Inconvenience to Daily Life	Severe: Slight Risk from SPC Flooding: Nuisance flooded expected for a widespread area, or Minor flooding expected over isolated areas Tropical: A weak tropical wave expected to move towards or near any coastline Fire Weather: Red Flag Watches/Warnings and/or SPC outlines enhanced or critical fire outlook	<ul> <li>2-3 inches of rainfall expected over central AR today and tonight; some minor (brief) street flooding possible</li> <li>Scattered severe storms possible, one or two tornadoes expected, along with reports of strong winds/wind damage and ~1" hail</li> </ul>			
Orange	Uncommon — A Few Times a Year Safety: Often Threatening to Life and Property, Some Damage Unavoidable Impact Potential: Typically Results in Minor Disruption to Daily Life	Severe: Enhanced Risk from SPC Flooding: Minor flooding expected over a widespread area (including urban locations), or Moderate flooding expected over isolated areas Tropical: A Tropical Storm expected to move towards or near any coastline Fire: Critical fire outlook for more than 2 consecutive days, Warnings for 2 or more consecutive days, D3-D4 drought conditions	<ul> <li>A snow/sleet mix is expected to move through or near the DFW area tomorrow morning; travel impacts likely</li> <li>Numerous severe storms possible, a few tornadoes possible along with several reports of wind damage along with damaging hail</li> <li>Some large fires reported, burn bans advertised, critical conditions expected</li> </ul>			
Red	Rare – Once every 1-5 Years Safety: Extensive Property Damage Likely, Life Saving Actions Also will be Needed Impact Potential: Will likely result in Large Disruption to Daily Life	Severe: Moderate Risk from SPC Flooding: Moderate flooding expected over a widespread area (including urban locations) Tropical: A Hurricane expected to move towards or near any coastline Fire: Large areas of critical conditions for 2 or more days, Warnings for 3 or more days, Severe to extreme drought	<ul> <li>A Category 1 hurricane will be moving towards the NW Gulf in the next few days</li> <li>Widespread severe storms likely, strong tornadoes, widespread wind damage, and destructive hail</li> <li>Large fires ongoing throughout the area with critical fire weather conditions expected to continue</li> </ul>			
Purple	Very Rare – Once Every 5-10 Years Safety: Property Damage Unavoidable, Immediate Action to Save Life will be Needed Impact Potential: Typically Results in Long-Lived Widespread Major Disruption to Daily Life	Severe: High Risk from SPC Flooding: Major flooding expected over a widespread area (including urban locations) Tropical: A Major Hurricane (Cat3 or greater) expected to move towards or near any coastline Fire: Large area of critical conditions for 2 or more days, Warnings for 3 or more days, Long term (months) of severe to extreme drought	<ul> <li>A Category 4 hurricane is headed towards the SE LA; major storm surge, flooding and damaging winds anticipated to begin tomorrow</li> <li>Widespread severe storms expected, tornado outbreak probable with long- lived, very widespread and particularly intense storms</li> </ul>			

Criteria for the color codes in this briefing is to the left, please provide any feedback to

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